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FROM AN ILLITERATE VILLAGE GIRL TO A TEACHER (A True Story)

A. Warmer

Rita and Mita were born in a poor family. Rita went to school and she became a nurse. Mita did not study at all. What do you think Rita will be able to do ?





"I thought I was in the dream world", uttered Lalita when her photograph was published on the cover page of UNICEF World Report released by the noted actress Shabana Azmi. She was so happy that she found herself to be nothing sort of a celebrity. And, why not ? After all, she got this happiness after a long struggle.

Lalita was born in 1988 in a poor family in a remote village of Sitamarhi. Like other children, she also wanted to study. But her parents were not ready to send her to a school. Although her parents did not allow her to study, she began to attend a Jagjagi Kendra in 2000 while gathering firewood. When her mother saw her attending classes at the Kendra, she scolded her. She was also beaten up by her brother while doing so. But this did not stop her from continuing her education.

With the support of the local Sahyogini, Lalita joined Mahila Shikshan Kendra, run by Mahila Samakhya at Sitamarhi. The Mahila Samakhya noticed Lalita's interest in Karate. So, in 2002, she was sent for a month to Hazaribagh for receiving training in Karate. And, there she got the blue belt. In 2003, she was again sent to Hazaribagh and this time she got the brown belt.

Presently, Lalita has been a second year college student. She has also been selected as a teacher (Prakhand Shikshika). The success story of Lalita is a real example for those who live in hardships and yet desire to reach the top of the world.

Words to know

uttered

अटर्ड

बड़बड़ायी

published

पब्लिश्ट

प्रकाशित किया

released	रिलीज्ड	जारी किया
celebrity	सेलिब्रिटि	मशहूर व्यक्ति
struggle	स्ट्रगल	संघर्ष
remote	रिमोट	दूर का
scolded	स्कॉलडिड	झिड़की दिया, डांटा
interest	इन्टरेस्ट	दिलचस्पी
presently	प्रजेन्टली	अभी फिलहाल
selected	सिलेक्टिड	चुनी गई
hardships	हार्डशिप्स	कठिनाइयाँ
desire	डिजायर	इच्छा
sahyogini	सहयोगिनी	महिला समूह को संकुल स्तर पर सहयोग एवं निर्देश देने वाली महिला समाख्या कार्यकर्ता

B. Think and Tell

B.1. Answer the following questions orally in one or two words only :

- In which year was Lalita born ?
- Where was she born ?
- Where was her photograph published ?
- Who released the book ?
- Where did she study ?
- Where was she sent for learning Karate ?
- Which belt does she hold ?

**B.2. Answer the following questions in a phrase or sentence.**

- (i) Why did her mother scold her for going to Jagjagi Kendra ?
- (ii) "I thought I was in the dream world." Why did Lalita say so ?
When do you find yourself in the dream world?

C. Think and Write**C.1. Write 'T' against true statement and 'F' against false statement :**

- (i) Lalita's photograph was published in a local newspaper.
- (ii) The UNICEF world report was released by Shabana Azmi.
- (iii) She was so happy that she found herself to be nothing sort of a celebrity.
- (iv) With the help of two NGOs, Lalita joined Mahila Samakhya at Hazaribagh.
- (v) Lalita was interested in kabaddi.
- (vi) Lalita is selected as a teacher.

D. Let's increase word power**D.1. Match the words in column 'A' with their meanings in column 'B'**

A	B
publish	star
release	trouble
celebrity	wish
hardship	print
desire	official offering to people



D.2. Correct the spellings of the following words:

rmotee

scoldde

utterde

inetrest

strgugle

pubshlied

E. Let's Learn

Read carefully the following sentence from the lesson :

When her mother saw her attending classes at the Kendra, she scolded her.

Here the words 'saw' and 'scolded' are verbs and they denote a finished action in the past.

The past forms of some verbs are given below :

Present form	Past form
move	moved [+d]
talk	talked [+ed]
scold	scolded [+ed]
sleep	slept
see	saw
write	wrote
speak	spoke
teach	taught

Now, work in groups and find out the rules to make past tense forms of verbs.



E.1. Fill in the blanks with the past tense forms of the verbs given in brackets :

- He _____ me English. (teach)
My father _____ a shirt for me. (buy)
Hari _____ to Ranchi. (go)
Anwar _____ good news. (bring)
The Headmaster _____ well. (speak)
Ruhi _____ her friend. (help)

E.2. Write the past tense forms of the following verbs:

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|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| take | arise | read | write | see |
| finish | copy | send | milk | think |

E.3. Fill in the blanks

Present	Past	Past Participle
-----	showed	-----
put	-----	-----
-----	came	-----
-----	heard	-----
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F. Composition/discussion

"Education brings name and fame".

Discuss the statement in the light of what Lalita has achieved.